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## The Daily Standard

Monday, December 5, 1872.

Tax on Unimproved Lands.

Last session of the Provincial Legislature a Bill was passed having for its object the imposition of a small tax on unimproved lands held by individuals or companies for speculative purposes. The Bill met with very little opposition in the House, and having passed through all its stages the general opinion was that it would receive the Governor's assent and become law. The principal objection that was urged against the Bill was that it did not go far as it was thought it should have gone in the direction in which it aimed. For many years the fact of a large proportion of our best agricultural lands being held by persons who neither used them themselves nor would allow them to be used by others upon such terms as would permit of their being utilized with advantage or profit, has been felt to be not only a serious inconvenience, but likewise a positive injury to the country, for the reason that it retarded settlement and operated as a clog to the development of its resources. To the astonishment of most people, when the Governor came down in state to prorogue the House and give his assent to the measures that had been passed, among some there are four Bills that he had reserved for the assent of the Governor General of the Dominion, was the unimproved Land Tax Bill. That Bill was accordingly sent to the Governor General of Canada, and in due course of time it was sent back to Victoria with "disallowed" written across its face. Now, it is only fair to ask, who is responsible for this setting aside of the deliberate action of our local Legislature on a matter of purely local interest, with which neither the Parliament, the Executive Council, nor the Governor General of the Dominion of Canada had the slightest concern? That the Governor General never would have vetoed that Bill, had not been advised to do by the Lieutenant Governor of this Province, does not admit of the shadow of a doubt. That may be taken as a foregone conclusion. What makes this matter the more mysterious is, that the Bill, if it had not the absolute concurrence of the Ministry, was not opposed by them. Were they afraid openly to oppose a measure that they well knew had almost universal support and sympathy outside the House, and preferred rather to let it run its course through the House, and within the secret recesses of the Executive Council, where the public eye is not allowed to penetrate, nor the public ear to catch the sound of Ministerial voices, there plot its destruction? Either the Lieutenant Governor advised the disallowance of that Bill with the consent of his responsible advisers, or he did it in opposition to their advice. If the latter, then His Excellency has been guilty of a gross violation of a fundamental principle of the constitution—an act virtually setting aside the principle of responsible government and ignoring the legitimate functions of his constitutional advisers; if the former, then the Ministry have played false with the Legislature, betrayed the trust reposed in them by the people, and are guilty of an act of gross political cowardice. Which horn of the dilemma will the Ministry elect to sit upon when the House calls them to an account touching this matter on the 17th of this month? We do not believe the Governor in this matter acted independently of his constitutional advisers. If he had done so, knowing as they did that it had the almost unanimous approval of the public, their only alternative would have been to place their resignation in the hands of His Excellency, and thus relieve themselves of the responsibility and odium which the ill-advised conduct of the Governor was sure to entail. Their not having done so is at least prima facie evidence that they, and not the Governor, are the parties justly chargeable with having worked the destruction of one of the most desirable measures passed during the whole of last session. We hope the Bill will be introduced again in the coming session, and that it will be amended by imposing a very much heavier rate of taxation upon the lands in question. Public opinion wills the enactment of such a law, and no Government can hope to stand for any length of time that will interpose any obstacle to the accomplishment of that purpose.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Successful Results.—After persons have been suffering for years under the direst diseases these wonderful remedies have often come to their rescue. Cures of ulcers, sores, inflammatory abscesses, scrofulous disengagements, derived from the use of Holloway's noble curative may be cited by thousands, and many volunteered testimonies of their efficacy abound in the home, medical and foreign newspapers. A little faith will induce to give these medicaments a trial, which will suffice to prove their salutary powers, and lead to their future adoption. Holloway's Pills overcome disease and restore strength by purifying and improving the quality of the blood. Holloway's Ointment heals ulcers and fills up abscesses by forming firm and healthy granulations.

Notes.—I take pleasure to inform Mr. E. Watson's customers, and particularly the Officers of the Fleet, that I have done all his Watch and Chronometer work for the past four years. As he has left the country, I beg to solicit the direct patronage of his former customers. All watch and clock work is done for him by me, under one year, will be guaranteed by me. Attention paid also to Letters and Seal Engraving, at moderate prices. G. W. A. Lard, Yates street.

A. Grimes, Merchant Tailor, has removed his place of business to the store adjoining the Colonial Hotel, Government Street, four doors from Yates street, where he is prepared to sell at reduced rates, Custom Made Clothing and Gents' Furnishing Goods. Also garments made to order, according to the latest styles.

F. S. BUSHILL, Preserver of Birds and Animals.

Spec. for Birds and Animals of every description.

KANE STREET, Victoria, B.C. 10s.

## New Advertisements.

PETER LESTER

BEG TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE public to the fact that it is proposed to

PRESS APPLES

for the Manufacture of

CIDER.

Mr. Lester has all the necessary apparatus and will

execute orders on the shortest notice, for which

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PLUMMER & PAGDEN,

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Wharf Street, Victoria.

BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE

taken the large buildings Wharf Street, opposite the Post Office.

From their long-continued experience in the above business, they have a large stock of public property, Stocks, Stock in Trade or Furniture purchased or sold.

General Advance made on Commissioners

Bills kept or Audited, Balance Sheets made out, Statements Prepared and a general Accountant Business conveniently transacted.

Just Received ex Naworth & Princess Royal.

W. JONES respectfully invites the public to call and inspect his

Stock and note Prices which are greatly reduced owing to his having

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### Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.—  
New South Gaspé Bay, 12th Inst., Post Townsend,  
Star Enterprise, May 1, 1872, Postmaster,  
Sir James Douglas, Clarke, Nanaimo.

CLEARED.—  
Sea Star Marine, Holmes, Nanaimo.

DEATH.—  
On Saturday, November 26th, William Anderson  
Parr, a native of Norfolk, Virginia, aged 62 years.  
The funeral will take place from his residence on  
the corner of Broad and Johnson streets. Friends and ac-  
quaintances are invited to attend.

ARRIVED.—  
[N. W. Guardian, Nov. 30th.]

DELTA OF THE Fraser.—NORTH ARM.—  
It may be interesting to our readers to know  
the very satisfactory progress of settlement  
on the lower Fraser. The North Arm has  
long enjoyed a well merited repute for good  
lands and profitable farming, but the South  
Arm has only attained to a reputation very  
recently, and settlers are now aware of what  
we have often stated, but which only experience  
seems to have sufficed to convince people, viz.: that the soil is wonderfully fertile,  
requires little tilling and can easily  
be cultivated. The population is present numbers  
of men's 145—45 male adults, 1 women, white  
children and 10 half-breeds. The quantity  
land under cultivation is, of course, compar-  
atively small, from the start, times that have  
elapsed since the first pre-emption was re-  
corded; but we are happy to say, that these  
men are all of the best class—energetic farm-  
ers, and generally possessed of means; the  
natural consequence is, that improvement is  
going on rapidly; buildings of all kinds are  
going up, dikes are being completed, and all  
are satisfied that a great future is before  
them.

The New Custer Horse.—Very general dis-  
satisfaction is expressed by our readers in  
relation to the manner in which the new  
House is proposed to be placed—with  
a glade towards Merchant Square, instead  
of being towards the river. We are not  
aware how far the preliminaries have been  
completed for its construction, but we hope  
there is time to alter this plan.

Oca Voluntaria.—We have heard several  
volunteers express a wish that the presentation  
of the cups won at the late rifle contest  
should be made a public affair and wind up  
with a Volunteer ball. We shall be glad to  
see some action taken in the matter.

The dedication of the new Wesleyan church  
at Maple Ridge took place on Thursday last.  
The Rev. Ross and Croby, with Messrs.  
T. Clemons, Beers, &c., and a number of  
ladies were up on the Oward to participate in  
the services.

The old court house and adjoining build-  
ings have all been pulled down and every-  
thing cleared away to make room for the  
new building.

The Ossard will not go up this morning,  
and will be haulled out for the season.

Hay is held by our farmers at \$20 per ton  
on the river bank.

From the East Coast.—The steamer Sir  
James Douglas returned from Comox and  
Nanaimo, on Saturday afternoon, coming into  
port "neck and neck" with the Enterprise.  
Enterprise reports a rough passage  
down; he was in company with the Enter-  
prise for most of the time. The  
Steamer Shooting Star was still loading coal  
at the Douglas pit; San Francisco, and was  
nearly full. The bark Union was loading  
stone at the Newcastle quarry. Mr. Jessen,  
the Superintendent of schools, who had re-  
cently held a successful meeting on education  
at Comox, was to visit Nanaimo for a  
similar purpose to-day. The Sir James had  
on board some coal for the Fisgard light-  
house, and the following day amongst her passengers:  
Rev. Mr. Howard, John G. Ross, Esq.,  
Assistant Receiver General; Mrs. Munro,  
and child, and Messrs. Duncan, Luptidge and  
Cridge, Jr.

The Ocean.—Hear the Cameron organ  
of yesterday, and its hypocritical cant: "However much we may disapprove of the  
present set of Ministers, & Ministers, we  
trust that a regard for truth and justice, and a  
sense of what is due to our profession, will ever  
restrain us within the bounds of assured fact  
of criticizing any department or branch of  
the public service." Only give "Honest  
John" a place, and all would be well.

Coxe sends us a contribution.—Comox  
has sent her contribution to aid the funds of  
the Royal Hospital in this city. Mr. Patrick  
Murphy has just collected in the settlement  
sixty-seven dollars and a-half, which came  
down by the Douglas, and was sent to the  
members for the District, to be by him handed  
over to the Treasurer of the Institution.

The Roads.—The Mount Tzoume cross road,  
from King's to Harris', was completed on  
Saturday. Manager Nicholson's road corps  
would remove thence on same day, to Michi-  
gan street, James Bay, to commence opera-  
tions on that street. Complaints are coming  
in to us that the Spanish road is again bad in  
several spots.

Hark the Many Christ Church Bells.—  
The new bell was hoisted into place in the  
tower Saturday. It is one of a peal, which at  
some future time it is hoped the congregation  
will be fortunate enough to possess. The one just erected weighs nearly  
two cwt. A few taps were given it on Saturday evening.

Naval.—We are informed that H. M. S.  
Sloop will shortly leave us for Panama, tak-  
ing down the San Juan marines, who will be  
transferred, via the Isthmus of Darien, to  
the Royal Mail Packet boat at Colon (Aspin-  
wall) which will convey them home to the  
white cliffs of England.

Harrison.—Captain J. H. Doane has  
arrived in San Francisco on his way to Victoria  
by next steamer. It is stated the Captain  
will dispose of his property here, will  
return to his native land, Nova Scotia, there  
to take up his residence.

Canary Goods.—By next steamer, Tur-  
ner, Berton and Tunstall will receive a very  
choice lot of Fancy Goods, for Christmas and  
New Year's presents; and real Skin and  
other Jackets, of latest styles.

City Council.—The City Council held a  
meeting on Saturday night, as a com-  
mittee of the whole, for the further consider-  
ation of the new Water Bill.

The Dredges.—On Saturday last, the ma-  
chinery of the dredge was put in motion, the  
engine having enjoyed a rest for seven years.

For Nanaimo.—The steamer Sir James  
Douglas will leave here for Nanaimo, to-  
morrow morning, at seven o'clock.

The steamer Fly arrived here from Bar-  
row last at seven o'clock last night.

Wharves.—Two deaths are re-  
ported in town from whooping cough.

## Central Boarding Schools.

Our excellent contemporary the New West-  
minster Guardian, which appears to be pretty  
well informed in matters pertaining to Gov-  
ernment, in its issue of Saturday contains a  
paragraph which we copy, and from  
which the public would be led to infer that  
a school on the central boarding system, is  
proposed to be founded in this city, for the  
benefit of the Province at large. The Guard-  
ian writes: "We have often pointed out  
the indefatigable efforts of our Victoria  
friends to secure every public institution for  
that city, and a recent instance fully shows  
the great endeavor to accomplish that  
object. It is now proposed to establish in  
that city a public boarding school, to be paid  
for by the public exchequer. There can be  
no doubt of the necessity of such an institu-  
tion, in order to provide a home for children  
sent from the interior to receive an education  
in the higher branches of instruction, but we  
are entirely dissent from the opinion that Viet-  
oria is the proper place. We know, on the  
contrary, that New Westminster is the best  
place in the Province for such an establish-  
ment. It is a situation, its beauty, climate,  
its proximity to the coast, and its great  
natural advantages, all in itselfs favor. God  
has indeed endowed the people along the  
peace of Bordeaux, and claimed that he be-  
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[N. W. Guardian, Nov. 30th.]

DELTA OF THE Fraser.—NORTH ARM.—  
It may be interesting to our readers to know  
the very satisfactory progress of settlement  
on the lower Fraser. The North Arm has  
long enjoyed a well merited repute for good  
lands and profitable farming, but the South  
Arm has only attained to a reputation very  
recently, and settlers are now aware of what  
we have often stated, but which only experience  
seems to have sufficed to convince people, viz.: that the soil is wonderfully fertile,  
requires little tilling and can easily  
be cultivated. The population is present numbers  
of men's 145—45 male adults, 1 women, white  
children and 10 half-breeds. The quantity  
land under cultivation is, of course, compar-  
atively small, from the start, times that have  
elapsed since the first pre-emption was re-  
corded; but we are happy to say, that these  
men are all of the best class—energetic farm-  
ers, and generally possessed of means; the  
natural consequence is, that improvement is  
going on rapidly; buildings of all kinds are  
going up, dikes are being completed, and all  
are satisfied that a great future is before  
them.

From New Westminster.—The  
Enterprise arrived here from New West-  
minster on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock,  
racing into the harbor with the Sir James  
Douglas. She had no Cariboo mail or ex-  
press matter on board. The following are  
the names of her passengers: Mrs. James,  
Mrs. Howe, Miss Howe, Hon. H. H. Brook,  
F. F. Foulke, F. G. Greely, James, J.  
H. Todd, G. Jones, J. Howell, W. Holmes,  
Grant, G. Marshall, B. Becker, Scott, Arnett,  
Byron, Mitchell.

FUNERAL.—The remains of the late Mr.  
Hemmings were interred yesterday afternoon  
at the cemetery, followed by a large  
cortege, was taken to Christ Church, where  
the funeral rites were conducted.

SENIATOR MACDONALD and family will arr-  
ive in Ottawa early next month. They will  
return to their home in Victoria after the  
forthcoming session of the Dominion Parlia-  
ment.

PASSED UP.—A vessel passed up the strait  
yesterday, supposed to be bound for the  
Inlet. She ran quite near to the Vancouver  
shore.

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THE telegraph line has been down for sev-  
eral days until last evening, when some  
few messages came through.

JUNG.—The steamer Emma brought round  
on Saturday night a load of old rope, junk,  
and rigging of the Sparrowhawk.

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CORONER.—B. P. Griffin, Esq., has been  
appointed in addition to his other duties,  
Coroner for Yale District.

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Quebec Legislature.

QUEBEC, Nov. 13.—A number of new bills  
were introduced into the Legislative Assem-  
bly and read a first time, amongst others a  
Bill to provide for the election of members for  
the Provincial Parliament by ballot, an elec-  
tion law, and a bill to prevent corrupt practices  
at municipal and school trustee elections.

Mr. Marchand moved for a statement of the  
sums expended in removing the return of  
emigrant Canadians, the expense of emigration,  
and the agents employed, etc. The mover  
commented upon the great Canadian emigration  
to the States, its injury to the country, and  
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Mr. Fournier, Montgomery, and Mr. Trem-  
blay, Chicoutimi, charged the Government  
with dispensing their favors and patronage in  
their constituencies, in several instances, on  
the principal of punishing political opponents.  
This was the first time that the public had  
awarded the policy of treating as enemies men  
of different politics, irrespective of personal  
qualification and the claims of public service.  
Messrs. Irvine and C. G. are repudiated such  
motives, contending that the Government had  
acted promptly and to the best of its judgment,  
and that it was natural and regular to prefer competent friend in making public  
appointments. As the Opposition had no confidence in the  
Ministers, it was hard to expect them to have confidence in parties recommended  
by the Opposition for the office of Justice.

Mr. Tremblay, in reply to Mr. Tremblay,  
declined that he had used his position as Min-  
ister of Public Works against him ("rembly")  
in the last election. Whatever he had written  
to Charleville County in reference to his  
(Tremblay's) election, he would stand by in  
the Federal Parliament, which was the proper  
place to make such charges. The motion was  
carried.

In the Assembly the address in reply to the  
Speech from the Throne was read by Alexander  
Charron, son of the Premier, and seconded by Mr. Sawyer, of Compton,  
short but lively discussion ensued. The  
address was ultimately carried without a  
division.

The Late San Juan Garrison.

EDITOR STANDARD.—There are now, some  
eight odd months, formerly belonging to the  
Island of San Juan, every one of whom has  
been sold, and the axe and the drill; i

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ALLIED.—The San Juan boundary dispute,

the leading American paper says:—The recent  
decision of King William's Court of Com-  
mon Law, on the North-western boundary question,  
gives to the United States the Island of San  
Juan, covering about eighty square miles of  
area, and containing what is of most value,  
a wide and deep harbor, the finest on the  
Pacific coast. When the Oregon Treaty was made  
in 1846, San Juan was thought to be of little  
value: it had no California, and no Alaska,  
and little other interests on that remote coast  
that needed protection. But the rapid ex-  
tension of the Northern Pacific Railroad and  
the growth of vast interests in that quarter  
makes the possession of the island a valuable  
another step to our future mastery of the  
Pacific ocean. When the Northern Pacific  
Road is completed and in running order, the  
value covered by the last decision will be of  
incalculable advantage to the people of the  
United States. There is a shorter line from  
this part of the Northwest to China and Japan  
than from San Francisco, and hence a port  
may be established from which steam yachts  
will run in connection with the Northern Pacific  
Road. In this case we will have the full  
advantage of the great waterways that effect  
the Northwest boundary controversy.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

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ALLIED.—Memory presides over the past. Full  
over the present. The first lives in a

rich temple hung with glorious trophies, and  
lined with fombe, but Felt's Coffee has but  
one shrine; and that is every breakfast table.

Its aroma walks the earth like a spirit and  
can be found for sale at every respectable  
house in British Columbia. Beware of spe-  
cial imitations.

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ALLIED.—Photographs of the  
Governor-General, Lord Dufferin, can be had at Shakespear's.

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